GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL HIGHWAY NO. 40E
PATY RIPPLE KYNDIAH

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highway No.40E from Jowai-Dawki has completely deteriorated over the years due to heavy traffic and non-maintenance;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have any proposal for the repair and improvement of the National Highway No. 40E;

(d) the amount sanctioned for the said work; and

(e) by when the repair/improvement works would commence and completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B KHANDURI]

(a) to (e) Jowai-Dawki Section having total length of 54.4 Km. was declared as National Highway on 06.01.1999, as extension of the National Highway No. 40 and was entrusted for its development and maintenance to Meghalaya PWD on 28.05.1999.The road at the time of its handing over by the State Government itself was in a deplorable condition due to inadequate crust and poor maintenance. Since taking over of this road as National Highway, nine works of improvement/maintenance amounting to Rs. 1810.64 lakh in an aggregate length of 37.6 Km. have been sanctioned. Six works of improvement and maintenance amounting to Rs.243.87 lakh have already been completed. The remaining works are targeted to be completed by March, 2004. Improvement of balance length of 16.8 Km. proposed to be taken up during 2003-2004.